

**UNAPPROVED**  
**BOARD OF DENTISTRY**  
**MINUTES**  
**SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE "C"**

**TIME AND PLACE:** Special Conference Committee "C" convened on January 10, 2014 at 9:15 a.m., at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, VA 23233.

**FIRST CONFERENCE:** 9:15 a.m.

**PRESIDING:** James D. Watkins, D.D.S.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Bruce S. Wyman, D.M.D.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Myra Howard  
Evelyn M. Rolon, D.M.D.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Kelley W. Palmatier, Deputy Executive Director  
Donna Lee, Discipline Case Manager  
Indy Toliver, Adjudication Specialist

**QUORUM:** With two members present, a quorum was established.

**Kurt Obeck, D.D.S.**  
**Case No.: 144675** Dr. Obeck appeared with counsel, Donna L. Foster and Lindsey A. Lewis, to discuss the allegations set forth in a Notice of the Board dated August 19, 2013. The Committee received statements and additional information from Dr. Obeck, Ms. Foster, and Ms. Lewis and discussed the allegations with them. Cinda Hickman, Patient A's daughter-in-law, answered questions from the Committee.

**Closed Meeting:** Dr. Wyman moved that the Committee convene a closed meeting pursuant to § 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Kurt Obeck. Additionally, Dr. Wyman moved that Ms. Palmatier, Ms. Lee, and Ms. Toliver attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and passed.

**Reconvene:** Dr. Wyman moved that the Committee certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters

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as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and passed.

**DECISION:  
Case No.: 144675**

Ms. Toliver reported that the Committee dismissed the allegations against Dr. Obeck.

The decision was unanimously accepted by the Committee.

**SECOND CONFERENCE:** 10:50 a.m.

**PRESIDING:** James D. Watkins, D.D.S.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Bruce S. Wyman, D.M.D.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Myra Howard  
Evelyn M. Rolon, D.M.D.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Kelley W. Palmatier, Deputy Executive Director  
Donna Lee, Discipline Case Manager  
Indy Toliver, Adjudication Specialist

**QUORUM:** With two members present, a quorum was established.

**Lynn Farrey, D.D.S.  
Case No.: 140609** Dr. Farrey appeared with counsel, Kenneth C. Hirtz, to discuss the allegations set forth in a Notice of the Board dated September 17, 2013. The Committee received statements and additional evidence from Dr. Farrey and Mr. Hirtz and discussed the allegations with them.

**Closed Meeting:** Dr. Wyman moved that the Committee convene a closed meeting pursuant to § 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Lynn Farrey. Additionally, Dr. Wyman moved that Ms. Palmatier, Ms. Lee, and Ms. Toliver attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and passed.

**Reconvene:** Dr. Wyman moved that the Committee certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and passed.

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**DECISION:**  
**Case No.: 140609**

Ms. Toliver reported that the Committee dismissed the allegations against Dr. Farrey.

The decision was unanimously accepted by the Committee.

**THIRD CONFERENCE:**

2:08 p.m.

**PRESIDING:**

James D. Watkins, D.D.S.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Bruce S. Wyman, D.M.D.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Myra Howard  
Evelyn M. Rolon, D.M.D.

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Kelley W. Palmatier, Deputy Executive Director  
Donna Lee, Discipline Case Manager  
Indy Toliver, Adjudication Specialist

**QUORUM:**

With two members present a quorum was established.

**Thomas Richards, D.D.S.**  
**Case No.: 144555**

Dr. Richards appeared with counsel, Kenneth C. Hirtz, to discuss the allegations set forth in a Notice of the Board dated September 18, 2013. The Committee received statements from Dr. Richards and Mr. Hirtz and discussed the allegations with them.

**Closed Meeting:**

Dr. Wyman moved that the Committee convene a closed meeting pursuant to § 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Thomas Richards. Additionally, Dr. Wyman moved that Ms. Palmatier, Ms. Lee, and Ms. Toliver attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and passed.

**Reconvene:**

Dr. Wyman moved that the Committee certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and passed.

**DECISION:**  
**Case No.: 144555**

Ms. Toliver reported that the Committee dismissed the allegations against Dr. Richards.

The decision was unanimously accepted by the Committee.

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**Approval of Minutes:** Upon a motion by Dr. Wyman, the minutes from the Informal Conference conducted on October 25, 2013 were approved.

**ADJOURNMENT:** With all business concluded, the Committee adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

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James D. Watkins, D.D.S., Chair

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Sandra K. Reen, Executive Director

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